

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Sweden was held at the Town Hall, 18 State Street, Brockport, New York, on Tuesday, September 24, 2013.

Town Board Members present were Supervisor Patricia Connors, Councilperson Robert Carges, Councilperson Donald Roberts and Councilperson Danielle Windus-Cook. Councilperson Rebecca Donohue was absent. Also present were Finance Director Leisa Strabel, Town Clerk Karen M. Sweeting, Town Attorney Jim Bell and Highway Superintendent Fred Perrine.

Visitors present were resident Joan Hamlin and Village of Brockport Trustee Bill Andrews.

Supervisor Connors called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked everyone present to say the Pledge to the Flag.

Supervisor Connors acknowledged the visitors. Resident Joan Hamlin commented on the Town Board's consideration of adopting a local law exempting certain new or substantially rehabilitated multiple dwellings identified in the Clinton Street Master Plan as the Village has requested. Mrs. Hamlin pointed out that the Village currently has 70% of assessed value exempt from taxes and the Town currently has nearly 50% of assessed value exempt from taxes. She feels that it would be crazy to offer additional exemptions from property taxes. Mrs. Hamlin stated that she is going to be responsible to subsidize those that are exempt.

Trustee Bill Andrews asked to respond. The Village would like to encourage the acquisition of the property with a view toward saving and restoring it. (The currently exempt property would become a taxable property but at the current assessed value. The property would pay some taxes which is more than it has paid since removed from the tax rolls.) He felt the adoption of the proposed local law would be a short-term disadvantage with a long-term benefit.

No other comments.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilperson Windus-Cook made a motion that was seconded by Supervisor Connors to accept the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 10, 2013. All voted in favor of the motion – three ayes. Councilperson Roberts abstained due to his absence from such meeting. Motion adopted.

#### SUPERVISOR'S CORRESPONDENCE

2013 Received From:

\*1. Seymour Library Board

Comments:

Sponsorship request for annual After Hours fundraising event

\*Board has copies

#### REPORTS

Councilperson Windus-Cook reported that she attended the Volunteer Luncheon at the Senior Center and noted that there were not a lot of Town/Village residents present, but several out of town residents. The annual Harvest Festival was held despite the rainy weather. She felt the event was worthwhile due to the 5K turnout honoring Staff Sgt. Nick Reid. Thank you to all that contributed to the festival and to those that helped out during the event.

Town Attorney reported updates to property maintenance issues at the unoccupied Burger King property on Lake Road.

Superintendent of Highways Fred Perrine reported the status of several county projects, the public safety facility on Owens Road and the Soldiers Monument.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 91

Declare Surplus Items for Disposal

WHEREAS, the Sweden Town Board adopted the Scrap Materials Policy and Procedures on February 8, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Section 1 of such policy and procedure states that prior to disposal, assets must be declared as surplus items by the Sweden Town Board; and

WHEREAS, the Sweden Town Clerk requests the Town Board to declare several items that can not be used or repaired as surplus items and removed from the Town Hall for disposal.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Sweden Town Clerk hereby requests that the following items be declared as surplus items and removed for disposal:

- ViewSonic computer monitor
- LaserJet 1000 series printer
- Canon PC1060 tabletop copier
- HP LaserJet 2420 printer
- Monroe 4150 calculator
- HP OfficeJet Model 600 print/copy/scan/fax
- desktop computer SN:011734
- HP C3758A keyboard

Sec. 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

MOTION for adoption of this resolution by Councilperson Roberts  
Seconded by Councilperson Carges

Discussion:

VOTE BY ROLL CALL AND RECORD:

Councilperson Carges	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Donohue	<u>Absent</u>
Councilperson Roberts	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Windus-Cook	<u>Aye</u>
Supervisor Connors	<u>Aye</u>

Submitted – September 24, 2013

Adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 92

Authorize Supervisor to Sign Municipal Appraisal Agreement with Assessment and Valuation Services

WHEREAS, the Statutes of the State of New York require that assessing jurisdictions assess real property at a uniform percentage of full market value and maintain an inventory of said real property; and

WHEREAS, consultant, David P. Miller d/b/a Assessment and Valuation Services, has considerable experience in serving county and municipal governments in the mass appraisal field; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Sweden intends to comply with the Statutes and Rules and Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Sweden has determined it is in the best interests of the taxpayers of the Town of Sweden to utilize the services of Consultant to comply with the Statutes and Rules and Regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Sweden Town Board hereby authorizes the Supervisor to sign said agreement authorizing Assessment and Valuation Services to provide the services contained in Memo A in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth.

Sec. 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

MOTION for adoption of this resolution by Councilperson Carges  
Seconded by Councilperson Roberts

Discussion:

VOTE BY ROLL CALL AND RECORD:

Councilperson Carges	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Donohue	<u>Absent</u>
Councilperson Roberts	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Windus-Cook	<u>Aye</u>
Supervisor Connors	<u>Aye</u>

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APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS

All of the Board members reviewed the invoice audit journal. Councilperson Carges made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Roberts authorizing payment of the bills in Abstract 9 dated September 25, 2013 in the amount of \$181,982.76. All voted in favor of the motion – four ayes. Motion adopted.

General Fund: In the amount of \$157,812.09 as set forth in Abstract 9 dated September 25, 2013.  
Highway Fund: In the amount of \$22,934.79 as set forth in Abstract 9 dated September 25, 2013.  
Special Fund: In the amount of \$1,235.88 as set forth in Abstract 9 dated September 25, 2013.

DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Budget Officer’s Tentative Budget for 2014 was presented to the Town Clerk.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilperson Carges made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Roberts to go into executive session at 7:18 p.m. to discuss a highway department personnel matter and a contractual matter involving Monroe Ambulance. (Several members from Monroe Ambulance were in attendance.) All voted in favor of the motion – four ayes. Motion adopted.

No action taken.

Councilperson Carges made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Windus-Cook to leave executive session and return to the regular meeting at 8:23 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion – four ayes. Motion adopted.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to come before the Board, Councilperson Carges moved to adjourn the September 24, 2013 meeting of the Sweden Town Board at 8:25 p.m. Councilperson Roberts seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion – four ayes. Motion adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Sweeting  
Town Clerk